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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Withdrawn).
2. (Previously presented) A system of managing image data in a network, comprising:
  - an image input device;
  - an image forming device including storage means for storing image data inputted by the image input device,
  - at least one of the image input device and the image forming device being connected to the network; and
  - a client computer, connected to the network, for managing the image data stored in the storage means via the network,
  - wherein the image forming device further includes a converter and a network interface;
  - the storage means comprises a binary data storage section for storing the image data as binary data and a text data storage section for storing text data converted from the binary data by the converter; and
  - the network interface includes a software for managing the text data, and transmits the text data stored in the text data storage section to the client computer.
3. (Withdrawn).

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4. (Previously presented) A method of managing image data in a network, comprising the steps of:

connecting at least one of an image input device and an image forming device to the network;

connecting a client computer to the network; storing image data inputted by the image input device in storage means of the image forming device; and

carrying out management of the image data stored in the storage means from the client computer via the network;

wherein when the image data is a character image, the character image is stored in two data formats of binary data and text data, the text data being made by converting the binary data; and

when inspecting the image data in the client computer, the text data is transferred to the client computer.